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SOLUTION OF SPEAKER-VICE SPEAKER CONTROVERSY AND THEREBY DELAY PROCEEDING, INTERPELLATION ON MINISTERS' POLICY SPEECHES WAS COMPLETED IN BOTH HOUSES BY FEBRUARY 4. SESSION REOPENED AS PLANNED IN PRESENCE EMPEROR JANUARY 30 BUT LOWER HOUSE PLENARY LATER C DAY WAS THROWN INTO CONFUSION WHEN VICE SPEAKER KIYOSHU MASAKI CHARGED IN RESIGNATION STATEMENT THAT SPEAKER RYOGORO KATO HAD FAILED TO HEED HIS ADVICE TO "PUT DIET ON RIGHT TRACK". IN FACE OF YOUNG LIBERAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY (LDP) OBJECTIONS, MASAKI RETRACTED STATEMENT, SAID HE WAS RESIGNING FOR "PERSONAL REASONS". SOCIALIST TAKAICHI FAKAMURA ELECTED WITHOUT OPPOSITION TO REPLACE MAUKI.

WHEN KATO JANUARY 31 ISSUED PRESS STATEMENT IN WHICH HE DECLARED HE WAS RESIGNING TO EXPEDITE DIET PROCEEDING, NOT BECAUSE OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR NOVEMBER 27 DIET RIOT, JSP REFUSED TO ATTEND FURTHER DIET PROCEEDINGS. POLICY SPEECHES IN LOWER HOUSE CONSEQUENTLY DELAYED UNTIL NIGHT OF FEBRUARY 1 WHEN JSP ACCEPTED COMPROMISE FORMULA WHEREBY LDP, JSP AND DEMOCRATIC SOCIALIST PARTY (DSP) AGREED TO ASK KATO TO "VERIFY" HIS RESIGNATION.

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ION STATEMENT. FORMER EDUCATION MINISTER ICHIRO KIOSE ELECTED AS NOW SPEAKER.

INTERPELLATION ON ~~Policy~~ SPEECHES (ITEM 2) CLEARLY INDICATED SECURITY TREATY WOULD BE DOMINANT ISSUE THIS SESSION. JSP CHAIRMAN SUZUKI IN LOWER ~~HOUSE~~ KD SOCIALIST SANSHICHI HANYU IN UPPER HOUSE DEMANDED DIET DISSOLUTION PRIOR TO VOTE ON RATIFICATION, CHARGED SECURITY TREATY RAN AGAINST ~~TREND~~ OF THAW IN COLD WAR AND ~~HAMPERED~~ DEVELOPMENT OF RELATIONS WITH COMMUNIST CHINA AND USSR. DSP INTERPELLATORS: CONTENDED THAT TREATY WOULD LEAD TO INCREASE IN SELF DEFENSE FORCES, DECLARED JAPAN LACKED VETO RIGHT UNDER PRIOR CONSULTATION FORMULA, AND ADDED THAT DSP RESERVED RIGHT TO WALK OUT OF DIET IF LDP DID NOT PERMIT ~~ADEQUATE~~ DIKUSSION OF TREATY (WEK4, ITEM 3). LDP SPOKESMEN CONCENTRATED QUESTIONS ON RECENT SOVIET NOTE (ITEM 3) AND NEED FOR MEASURES TO CHECK EXCESSES OF EXTREME-LEFTIST ORGANIZATIONS.

KISHI IN SPIRITED AND SELF-CONFIDENT REPLIES POINTED TO CONTINUED DANGER OF ~~CONFLICT~~ OVER ISSUES SUCH AS BERLIN, DESPITE SIGNS OF IMPROVED EAST-WEST RELATIONS; FREQUENTLY REFERRED TO TALKS WITH PRESIDENT ~~HO~~ (WEEK ~~A.3~~ ITEM 1); UNEQUIVOCALLY DENOUNCED SOV NOTE

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(ITEM 4).

LOWER HOUSE BUDGET COMMITTEE HEARINGS ON BUDGET SCHEDULED TO BEGIN FEBRUARY AND GOVT. PREPARED TO INTRODUCE SECURITY TREATY WITH EXPLANATORY SPEECH NEXT WEEK.

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COMMENT: SUCCESSIVE L-JSP CONFLICTS AT VERY OUTSET OF DIET SIGNALS STORMY SESSION AHEAD. SOCIALIST INTERPELLATORS DEVELOPED NO NEW LINES BUT SHOWED DETERMINATION TO BLOCK DIET PROCEDURES EVERY STEP OF WAY WITH ULTIMATE GOAL OF DELAYING CONSIDERATION OF SECURITY TREATY. KISHI GAVE ONE OF BEST PARLIAMENTARY PERFORMANCES TODAY, SETTING GOOD EXAMPLE FOR GOVT FORCES. REPLIES OF OTHER MINISTERS EQUALLY REFLECTED THOROUGH PREPARATION. (CONFIDENTIAL)

2. KISHI, FUJIYAMA DIET SPEECHES

PRIMIN KISHI'S POLICY SPEECH FEBRUARY 1 BEFORE LOWER HOUSE (ITEM 1) EMPHASIZED FRUITFUL NATURE OF RECENT DISCUSSIONS WITH PRESIDENT AND STRESSED SIGNIFICANCE OF NEW SECURITY TREATY WHICH HE AID BROUGHT US-JAPAN RELATIONS TO "ENTIRELY NEW STAGE".

PRIMIN SAID THAT UNDER NEW TREATY, JAPAN AND US, MARCHING SAME

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ROAD AS TRULY EQUAL PARTNERS", ARE PLEDGED TO "STRENGTHEN THEIR SOLIDARITY". KISHI DENIES ~~JAPANESE~~ HOSTILITY TOWARD COMMUNIST POWERS BUT SAID THAT PEACE AND COEXISTENCE ONLY POSSIBLE WHEN NATIONS FAITHFULLY RESPECT PRINCIPLES OF MUTUAL RESPECT AND NON-INTERFERENCE IN INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF OTHERS.

ON DOMESTIC AFFAIRS KISHI: 1) PLEDGED CONTINUED ECONOMIC EXPANSION WITH VIEW TO DOUBLING NATIONAL INCOME IN TEN YEARS; 2) PROMISED SOUND BUDGET WITH EMPHASIS ON BASIC/ECONOMIC IMPROVEMENTS, FOREIGN TRADE PROMOTION, EXPANSION OF SOCIAL SECURITY AND WELFARE PROGRAMS, ETC; 3) WARNED THAT GOVERNMENT WILL DEAL STERNLY WITH LABOR ELEMENTS WHICH DISREGARD LAW AND ORDER IN CONDUCTING POLITICAL STRUGGLES; 4) APPEALED TO DIET MEMBERS TO OBSERVE PARLIAMENTARY ORDER.

FONMIN FUJIYAMA'S FOREIGN POLICY SPEECH STRESSED GOJ HOPE THAT PRINCIPLE OF PEACEFUL SOLUTION TO INTERNATIONAL PROBLEMS WILL BE FAITHFULLY OBSERVED BUT NOTED DANGER OF LOCALIZED DISPUTES STILL EXISTS. FONMIN WELCOMED EFFORTS OF EAST-WEST LEADERS TO FIND COMMON GROUND THROUGH TALKS. IN ORDER TO PROMOTE "THAW", FONMIN SAID IT INCUMBENT ON FREE WORLD TO STRENGTHEN UNITY AND REMAIN ON

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GUARD AGAINST COMMUNIST BLOC. LARGE PART OF ADDRESS DEVOTED TO DISCUSSION OF NEW SECURITY TREATY ALONG LINES LAID DOWN IN PRIMIN'S SPEECH.

ON OTHER ASPECTS OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS FUJIYAMA: 1) PLEDGED JAPAN'S COOPERATION IN EFFORTS FOR WORLD PEACE AND HOPED THAT AGREEMENT ON INTERNATIONAL DISARMAMENT WITH EFFECTIVE CONTROLS WILL BE REACHED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE; 2) CRITICIZED SOVIETS FOR "UNILATERAL REPUDIATION OF PLEDGE" TO RETURN HAKODATE AND SHIKOTAN; 3) DECLARED THAT GOJ WILL CONTINUE TO MAKE "SINCERE EFFORTS TO SEEK ADJUSTMENT OF RELATIONS" WITH ROK; 4) SAID THAT CHICOM PROBLEM INCLUDES MANY FACTORS WHICH MUST BE SETTLED WITHIN FRAMEWORK OF OVER-ALL WORLD POLITICS BUT JAPAN "SHOULD SEEK TO REMOVE CHICOM MISUNDERSTANDINGS AND BREAK EXISTING STALEMATE"; 5) CALLED FOR WORLD-WIDE TRADE AND EXCHANGE LIBERALIZATION AND ASSERTED JAPAN WOULD CONTINUE TO CONTRIBUTE TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF SOUTHEAST ASIA. ABOVE SPEECHES WITH THOSE OF FINMIN EISAKU SUTO AND ECONOMIC PLANNING AGENCY DIRECTOR WATARO KANNO REPEATED IN UPPER HOUSE FEBRUARY 2. (UNCLASSIFIED)

COMMENT: KISHI AND FUJIIYAMA BOTH MADE FORCEFUL SPEECHES.

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FONMIN FOLLOWED POLICY LINES LAID DOWN BY PRIMIN BUT STRESSED "GOOD NEIGHBOR DIPLOMACY" AND REMOVAL OF MISUNDERSTANDINGS" MORE THAN KISHI WHO EMPHASIZED JAPAN'S SOLIDARITY WITH FREE WORLD.
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3. JAPAN-SOVIET FISHERY TALKS (WEEK 4, ITEM 9)

FOURTH ANNUAL MEETING JAPAN-SOVIET NORTHWEST PACIFIC FISHERIES COMMISSION HELD OPENING PLENARY SESSION IN MOSCOW FEBRUARY 2, BEGAN SERIOUS NEGOTIATIONS FEBRUARY 4. SOVIET FISHERIES CHIEF ISHKOV EMPHASIZED DEPLETION SALMON STOCKS, NEED FOR MORE STRINGENT CONSERVATION MEASURES IN COMING SEASON, BUT IN GENERAL OPENING SPEECH WAS LESS FORBIDDING THAN LAST YEAR. RECENT SOVIET BROADCASTS TO JAPAN HAVE STRESSED DEPLETED STATE OF SALMON STOCKS AS RESULT "RECKLESS" JAPANESE FISHING. JAPANESE DELEGATION THIS YEAR HAS NO FIXED QUOTE DEMAND, WILL SIMPLY SEEK BEST QUOTA POSSIBLE (LAST YEAR JAPAN ASKED 165,000 TONS OF SALMON QUOTA, SOVIETS OFFERED 50,000, SETTLEMENT WAS FOR 85,001 TONS) (UNCLASSIFIED)

COMMENT: MOOD OF INDUSTRY AND PUBLIC SEEMS MORE RESIGNED THAN LAST YEAR, WHEN THERE WAS TALK OF REGAINING LOST FISHING GROUNDS AND OBTAINING FREEDOM FROM SOVIET-IMPOSED RESTRICTIONS. SOME RELIEF

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EXPRESSED HERE THAT ATMOSPHERE OF OPENING SESSIONS OF CONFERENCE SEEMED LESS STRAINED THAN LAST YEAR! BUT THERE APPEARS TO BE NO GROUND FOR OPTIMISM REGARDING SOVIET INTENTIONS TO CUT JAPAN'S SALMON CATCY QUOTA DRASTICALLY. IN VIEW OF FACT THIS IS LOW YEAR IN "SALMON ABUNDANCE CYCLE", BEST GUESS IS SOVIETS AT OUTSET WILL PRACTICALLY DEMAND CESSATION JAPANESE HIGH-SEAS SALMON FISHING, THEN GIVE 50,000-60,000 TON QUOTE IN EXCHANGE FOR EXTENSION OF PRESENT TREATY AREA. (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

4. FURTHER REACTIONS TO SOVIET NOTE (WEEKA 4, ITEM 6)

RIDING WAVE OF PUBLIC INDIGNATION OVER JANUARY 27 SOVIET NOTE ATTACKING SECURITY TREATY, LIBERAL DEMOCRATIC PARTYS(LDP) FEBRUARY 4 PRESENTED DRAFT RESOLUTION TO DIET URGING STRONG GOVERNMENT PROTEST AGAINST "INSULTING NOTE". SOCIALISTS (JSP) AND DEMOCRATIC SOCIALISTS (DSP) WERE ASKED TO CO-SPONSOR RESOLUTION, BUT JSP AT LAST INDICATED UNWILLINGNESS TO ENDORSE RESOLUTION IN PRESENT FORM AND WILL PROPOSE AMENDMENTS. FORMAL GOJ REPLY WILL BE HANDED SOVIET AMBASSADOR FEBRUARY 5 WITHOUT AWAITING ADOPTION DIET RESOLUTION.

PRIMIN KISHI IN REPLY TO SOCIALIST INTERPELLATOR FEBRUARY 3

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CALLED NOTE "UNWARRANTED INTERFERENCE IN JAPANESE AFFAIRS" AND "UNPARDONABLE FROM VIEWPOINT OF INTERNATIONAL TRUST". KISHI WENT ON TO DECLARE SOVIET RETURN OF NOT ONLY HABOXAI AND SHIKOTAN ISLANDS, BUT ALSO SOUTHERN KURILES, WAS "PREREQUISITE FOR CONCLUSION JAPAN-USSR PEACE TREATY". REFERRING TO NOTE, JSP DIET INTERPELLATOR URGED GOV TO CONCLUDE PEACE TREATY AND NON-AGRESSION PACT WITH SOVIET UNION. KISYI CURTLY REJECTED THIS ADVICE WITH STATEMENT THAT "NON-AGRESSION PACT WITH SOVIETS IS NOT IN KEEPING WITH PEOPLE'S FEELINGS". OTHER LDP LEADERS JOINED IN STRONG CRITICISM AND LDP FOREIGN AFFAIRS RESEARCH COUNCIL FEBRUARY 4 ISSUED STRONGLY WORDED STATEMENT WHICH REFUTED POINTS RAISED IN SOVIET NOTE AND CONDEMNED SOVIET REFUSAL TO RETURN ISLANDS.

IN OTHER COMMENTS ON NOTE, DSP SPOKESMAN HEAPED BLAME EQUALLY ON SOVIETS AND KISHI ADMINISTRATION WHILE JSP SEC GEN ASANUMA DECLARED THAT PARTY'S FEARS THAT NEW SECURITY TREATY WOULD "PROVOKE" COMMUNISTS HAD PROVEN WELL-FOUNDED.

MOST PAPERS BACKED GOVERNMENT STAND AND CONDEMNED SOVIETS FOR UNILATERALLY IMPOSING NEW CONDITIONS FOR RETURN OF NORTHERN ISLANDS

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AND INTERFERING IN JAPANESE DOMESTIC AFFAIRS. SEVERAL COMMENTATORS
THOUGHT IT "TYPICAL" OF SOVIETS TO THREATEN MILITARILY WEAK JAPAN.
(UNCLASSIFIED)

COMMENT: IN ADDITION TO BRINGING TO SURFACE LATENT HOSTILITY
AND TRADITIONAL DISTRUST OF SOVIETS, NOTE CAUSED SOME CRITICS TO
REAPPRAISE VALUE TO JAPAN ON SECURITY TREATY AND TO REEXAMINE THEIR
FAITH IN SOVIETS DEDICATION OF PEACE. POLITICAL NOTE WAS BOON
TO LDP AND ENABLED IT TO SHOW TO PUBLIC AGAIN HOW UNHESITATINGLY
JSP FOLLOWS COMMUNIST LINE. WHILE LDP WILLING TO ACCEPT MINOR
ADJUSTMENTS TO ITS DRAFT DIET RESOLUTION, SOCIALIST DEMANDS LIKELY
TO BE OF SUCH A NATURE AS TO MAKE CO-SPONSORSHIP IMPOSSIBLE.
LDP FOREIGN RESEARCH COUNCIL STATEMENT IS EXPECTED TO BE ADOPTED AS
PARTY DECLARATION AFTER REVIEW BY PARTY'S POLICY AND EXECUTIVE BOARDS
FEBRUARY 5. (CONFIDENTIAL)

5. JAPAN-KOREA (WEEK 4, ITEM 7)

JAPAN-KOREA TALKS FORMALLY RESUMED WITH UNEVENTFUL PLENARY
SESSION JANUARY 30. AT SUBSEQUENT SIDE MEETINGS ROK AMBASSADOR YIU
STATED THAT ROKG DID NOT HAVE FUNDS TO CARE FOR REPATRIATES FROM

JAPAN AND SINCE NEITHER US NOR JAPAN COULD ADVANCE MONEY FOR RESETTLEMENT.
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MENT PROGRAM, SOLUTION TO THIS QUESTION WOULD BE DIFFICULT. IN MEANTIME YIU PROPOSED THAT ALL WORKING COMMITTEES REOPEN AND SUGGESTED ON "PERSONAL BASIS" THAT BOTH SIDES EXPLORE NEW APPROACH WHEREBY ROKG WOULD AGREE TO REPATRIATION PUSAN AND OMURA DETAINEES IN RETURN FOR JAPANESE PURCHASE 30,000 TONS KOREAN RICE. YIU SAID RICE TRANSACTION WOULD ALSO PERMIT FULL RESUMPTION JAPAN-ROK TRADE. FONOFF TOLD YIU RESUMPTION WORKING-LEVEL COMMITTEES WOULD BE POINTLESS PRIOR TO RELEASE OF HOSTAGE FISHERMEN BUT PROMISED CAREFUL CONSIDERATION OF FISHERMEN-RICE DEAL EVEN THOUGH JAPAN HAS SURPLUS RICE STOCKS. (CONFIDENTIAL)

COMMENT: NO INDICATION THAT YIU'S PROPOSAL FOR FISHERMEN-RICE DEAL AUTHORIZED BY ROKG AND GOJ HAS EVERY REASON TO BE SKEPTICAL THAT THIS NEW BARTER PROPOSAL COULD BE SUCCESSFULLY IMPLEMENTED. FONOFF HAS NOT RULED OUT EXPLORING POSSIBILITY THAT ROKG, UNABLE TO USE FISHERMEN TO OBTAIN US OR JAPANESE FUNDS FOR RESETTLEMENT PROGRAM, MAY NOW BELIEVE JAPAN WILL RANSOM FISHERMEN FOR UNWANTED RICE. (CONFIDENTIAL)

6. RYOKUFUKAI DISSOLVED

RYOKUFUKAI (GREEN BREEZE SOCIETY), INDEPENDENT-CONSERVATIVE

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POLITICAL PARTY IN UPPER HOUSE, DECIDED JANUARY 30 TO DISSOLVE ITSELF AND FORM NEW DOSHIKAI (COMARDES' ASSOCIATION), PLEDGED TO CONTINUE RYOKUFUKAI'S IMPARTIAL APPROACH TO POLITICS. DOSHIKAI AHSTARD INCLUDES TEN FORMER MEMBERS FROM RYOKUFUKAI PLUS ONE INDEPENDENT. BOSHAIKAI OFFICIAL INFORMED EMBASSY HIS GROUP HOPES TO ATTRACT ADDITION INDEPENDENTS. (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

COMMENT: FROM 1947-1950 RYOKUFUKAI WAS LARGEST PARTY IN UPPER HOUSE BUT STRENGTH DWINDLED AS "INDEPENDENT" UPPER HOUSE TOOK ON SAME PARTISAN COLORATION AS LOWER MUSE AND RYUFUKAI MEMBERS LEFT TO JOIN LIBERAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY. DOSHIKAI STANDS SLIGHT CHANCE OF ATTRACTING MORE THAN HANDFUL OF INDEPENDENTS, MAJORITY OF WHOM ARE MEMBERS OF SOKA GAKKAI RELIGIOUS GROUP. (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

7. DIET STRENGTHS

WITH DISSOLUTION RYOKUFUKAI (ITEM 6), REGISTRATION OF DEMOCRATIC SOCIALIST PARTY AS DIT ORGANIZATION, AND AFFILIATION WITH INDEPENDENTS CLUB OF LAST MEMBER OF "SEVENTEEN CLUB", DIET STRENGTHS ON FEBRUARY 1 AS FOLLOWS:

LOWER HOUSE

LIBERAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY

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JAPAN SOCIALIST PARTY	127
DEMOCRATIC SOCIALIST PARTY	38
JAPAN COMMUNIST PARTY	1
INDEPENDENTS SPEAKER AND VICE SPEAKER	2
VACANCIES	11
TOTAL	467

UPPER HOUSE

LIBERAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY	136
JAPAN SOCIALIST PARTY	6
DEMOCRATIC SOCIALIST PARTY	16
INDEPENDENTS CLUB	14
DOSHIKAI	11
JAPAN COMMUNIST PARTY	3
VACANCIES	-
TOTAL	250

COMMENT: WHILE FORMER SPEAKER AND VICE SPEAKER (ITEM 1) HAVE
TAKEN STEPS TO REJOIN THEIR PARTIES, REPLACEMENTS WILL PROBABLY
BE LOW PRECEDENT AND BECOME "NOMINAL INDEPENDENT" FOR DURATION

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AIM: DEMOCRATIC SOCIALIST PARTY (DSP) RALLY

FIRST OF NATION-WIDE SERIES OF DSP RALLIES BE AT TOKYO
FEBRUARY 3 WAS ADDRESSED BY DSP CHAIRMAN NISHIO, SEC GEN SONE, OTHER
PARTY LEADER VSHIO REPEATED CLAIM DSP WOULD COME TO POWER WITHIN
FIVE YEARS (WEEK 4, ITEM 3), WARNED THAT "INSIDE YEAR CONSERVATIVES
WILL REALIZE WE ARE FORMIDABLE ENEMY", INDICATED DSP INTENTION TOO
RUN AWAY VOTERS WHO NOW SUPPORT CONSERVATIVES BECAUSE OF DISTRUST OF
SOCIALIST PARTY. NISHIO ALSO INDICATED HOPES FOR FURTHER JSP
DEFECTIONS WHEN HE PREDICTED DSP LOWER HOUSE STRENGTH WOULD INCREASE
FROM PRESENT 38 TO 50 BEFORE AN ELECTION. (UNCLASSIFIED)

COMMENT: RALLIES SCHEDULED THROUGH FEBRUARY ARE INTENDED IN
PART TO SUSTAIN FAVORABLE PUBLIC RECEPTION AND PUBLICITY DSP HAS
RECEIVED TO DATE. (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

9. NIKKYOSO EDUCATIONAL STUDY CONFERENCE

NIKKYOSO (JAPAN TEACHERS UNION) JANUARY 26-29 HELD NINTY
ANNUAL EDUCATION STUDY CONFERENCE IN CHIBA CITY, WITH PARTICIPATION
OF OVER 13,000 TEACHERS, PTA MEMBERS AND OTHERS. NIKKOKYO (SENIOR
HIGH SCHOOL TEACHERS' UNION) FOR FIRST TIME PARTICIPATED AS

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COOPERATING ORGANIZATION. THREE-FOURTHS OF SESSIONS DEVOTED TO DISCUSSION OF TEACHER RATING SYSTEM , BUT PRESS REPORTED QUIET! BUSINESSLIKE CONFERENCE, WITH LITTLE OF MOTIONALISM AND IDEOLOGICAL CONTENT THAT CHARACTERIZED TEACHERS' MEETINGS IN PAST. TEACHERS APPEARED RESIGNED TO ACCSQT RAZING SYSTEM.

EDUCATION MINISTER TAKECHIYO MATSUDA CREATED MILD SENSATION BY ATTENDING ONE DAYS SESSIONS, WHERE HIS RECEPTION BY TEACHERS WAS REPORTEDLY "COOL". MATSUDA'S ATTENDANCE AT CONFERENCE HAS PROMPTED SOX CRITICISM FROM GOJ AFD CONSERVATIVE CIRCLES WHICH BELIEVE THIS IS NO TIME TO BECOME CONCILIATORY TOWARD NIKKYOSO.

PRESS WUDEFF"PRKTCW"UFD "FONPOLITICAL" EMPHASIS OF CONFERENCES, RELATED COMMENTS ON TONE OF CONFERENCE TO CHAFGES IN PUBLIC POLICY RECENTLY ANNOUNCED BY UNION LEADERS (WEEKS 3 ITEM 7), AND CLAIMED COFFERENCE IS FURTHER INDICATION OF FUNDAMENTAL CHANGE IN NIKKYOSO POLICIES.(UNCLASSIFIED)

COMMENT: JAPANESE VESS MAY HAE EXAGGERATED IGNIFICANCE OF CONFERENCE TONE SINCE ANNUAL STUDY (CONFERENCES HAVE USUALLY BEEN MORE OR LESS NONPOLITICAL UN EMPHASES. TEACHERS APPARENT READINESS

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TO ACCEPT RATING SYSTEMS IS INDICATION OF SUCCESS OF MAJOR GOJD
POLICY TO CHECK NVIKKYOSO. DOUBTFUL WHETHER PARTICIPATION IN
CONFERENCE BY NIKKOKYO ~~PRE~~TENDS IMMINENT MERGER WITH NIKKYOSO ;
THOUGH TWO UNIONS HAVE BEEN DISCUSSING SUCH MOVE FOR OVER YEAR.
CONTINUED MODERATE STANCE BY NIKKYOSO HOWEVER, WOULD ENCOURAGE
HIGH SCHOOL TEACHERS TO MERGE. OFFICIAL USE ONLY.
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1. NEW TREATY PRESENTED TO DIET (WEEK 1, ITEM 1)

GOVERNMENT FEBRUARY 9 FORMALLY PRESENTED NEW TREATY AND RELATED DOCUMENTS TO DIET FOR RATIFICATION. IN INTRODUCTORY SPEECH TO LOWER HOUSE, FUJIYAMA MADE STRONG PLEA FOR MEMBERS TO SUPPORT RATIFICATION, EMPHASIZING THAT:

1. TREATY ACCORDS FULLY WITH PURPOSES AND PRINCIPLES OF UN CHARTER AND IS OF PURELY DEFENSIVE CHARACTER.

2. TREATY INCLUDES EXPLICIT US OBLIGATION TO DEFEND JAPAN.

3. PRIOR CONSULTATION WILL APPLY TO MAJOR DEPLOYMENTS AND EQUIPMENT CHANGES BY US FORCES AND TO THEIR USE OF JAPANESE BASES FOR COMBAT MILITARY OPERATIONS OUTSIDE JAPAN. US WILL NOT ACT IN SUCH MATTERS AGAINST THE WISHES OF JAPANESE GOVERNMENT, AS REAFFIRMED IN KISHI-EISENHOWER JOINT COMMUNIQUE.

4. TREATY PUTS US-JAPAN SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS ON BROAD BASIS INCLUDING POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC COLLABORATION WITH TERM OF TREATY SET AT TEN YEARS TO PROVIDE STABILITY IN SECURITY RELATIONSHIPS.

DOCUMENTS SUBMITTED FOR DIET APPROVAL ARE TREATY, ADMINISTRATIVE AGREEMENT, NOTES RE CONSULTATION FORMULA, NOTES RE ACHESON-YOSHIDA

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EXCHANGE OF NOTES, NOTES RE MDA AGREEMENT. IN ADDITION, AGREED MINUTES ON ARTICLE III ISLANDS, AGREED MINUTES ON ADMINISTRATIVE AGREEMENT, NOTES RE ARTICLE XII, PARAGRAPH 6(D), AND NOTES RE ESTABLISHMENT OF SECURITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE, SUBMITTED FOR INFORMATION. ACTIVITIES IN DIET THROUGHOUT WEEK CENTERED ON NEW TREATY WITH SOCIALIST INTERPELLATORS GRILLING PRIME MINISTER KISHI AND FOMIN FUJIYAMA IN LOWER HOUSE BUDGET COMMITTEE ON DEFINITION OF TERM "FAR EAST", CONSULTATION FORMULA, AND INTRODUCTION NUCLEAR WEAPONS.

LOWER HOUSE FEBRUARY 11 VOTED TO SET UP SPECIAL AD HOC COMMITTEE OF 45 MEMBERS DESIGNED EXCLUSIVELY TO DEBATE NEW TREATY AND RELATED AGREEMENTS. PROPOSAL ORIGINALLY CAME FROM SOCIALISTS. LDP AGREEMENT INCLUDES STIPULATION THAT TREATY INTERPELLATIONS WILL BE LIMITED TO NEW COMMITTEE AND BUDGET COMMITTEE. (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

COMMENT: AGGRESSIVENESS OF SOCIALIST ATTACK THIS WEEK FORESHADOWS STORMY SESSION ON TREATY ISSUE. WHILE KISHI AND FUJIYAMA GOT OFF TO RATHER SLOW START IN INTERPELLATIONS, THEY

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APPEARED TO BE RECOVERING THEIR STRIDE BY WEEK'S END. (CONFIDENTIAL)

2. COJ REPLY TO SOVIET NOTE (WEEKA 5, ITEM 4)

GOJ REPLY TO SOVIET NOTE OF JANUARY 27 WAS HANDED SOVIET AMBASSADOR BY VICE FONMIN ON FEBRUARY 5. JAPANESE REPLY: 1) EXPLAINED DEFENSIVE NATURE OF NEW SECURITY TREATY; 2) BRANDED SOVIET NOTE AND NUCLEAR THREATS AS INTERFERENCE IN JAPANESE AFFAIRS; 3) DENOUNCED NEW SOVIET CONDITION FOR RETURN OF HABOMAI AND SHIKOTAN ISLANDS AS BREACH OF INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT; 4) CONCLUDED WITH EXPRESSION OF WILLINGNESS TO PROMOTE FRIENDLY JAPAN-USSR RELATIONS BUT ONLY ON BASIS OF MUTUAL RESPECT AND NON-INTERFERENCE. JAPANESE NOTE RECEIVED STRONG PUBLIC BACKING. LDP DIET RESOLUTION ATTACKING SOVIET NOTE HAS NOT YET BEEN BROUGHT TO VOTE. MEANWHILE, SOCIALISTS FEBRUARY 11 SUBMITTED "COUNTER-RESOLUTION" CALLING FOR EARLY TREATY NEGOTIATIONS WITH USSR. (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

COMMENT: GOJ REPLY WITH SKILLFULLY DRAWN AND ITS FIRM TONE CONTRIBUTED TO BOOMERANG EFFECT OF SOVIET NOTE. TOP GOJ OFFICIALS INFORMED EMBASSY THEY WERE HIGHLY APPRECIATIVE OF SECRETARY HERTER'S PRESS CONFERENCE STATEMENT SUPPORTING GOJ POSITION. (CONFIDENTIAL)

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3. SOCIALIST PARTY CONVENTION PREPARATORY

COMMITTEE (WEEK 4, ITEM 5)

SOCIALIST PARTY (JSP) FEBRUARY 5 NAMED MEMBERS OF 25-MAN EXTRAORDINARY CONVENTION PREPARATORY COMMITTEE SET UP AT CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEETING JANUARY 27. ESTABLISHMENT OF PREPARATORY COMMITTEE, WHICH MET FOR FIRST TIME FEBRUARY 10, DELAYED BECAUSE OF DIFFERENCES AMONG FACTIONAL LEADERS AS TO COMPOSITION OF MEMBERSHIP, INCLUDING REPRESENTATIVES FROM LOCAL CHAPTERS, AS FOLLOWS: SUZUKI FACTION 10; KAWAKEMI FACTION 7; WADA FACTION 3; MATSUMOTO FACTION 3; NOMIZO FACTION 2. PRIOR TO MARCH 23-24 CONVENTION, GROUP PLANS TO DISCUSS DIET STRATEGY, PARTY LEADERSHIP QUESTION, AND ORGANIZATION PROBLEMS RESULTING FROM FORMATION DEMOCRATIC SOCIALIST PARTY. (UNCLASSIFIED)

COMMENT: COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP, ORIGINALLY SET AT 15, HAD TO BE EXPANDED TO 25 BEFORE DEMANDS FOR FACTIONAL REPRESENTATION COULD BE MET. WHILE QUESTION OF PARTY LEADERSHIP IS NOW WIDE OPEN, POSSIBILITY SUZUKI AND ASANUMA WILL BE REPLACED AS CHAIRMAN AND SEC GEN, AS DEMANDED BY KAWAKAMI FACTION, APPEARS TO HAVE INCREASED SLIGHTLY IN RECENT WEEKS. (CONFIDENTIAL)

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4. TAKASAKI TO VISIT MOSCOW (WEEK 4, ITEM 9)

TATSUNOSUKU TAKASAKI (FORMER MITI MINISTER AND CLOSE ASSOCIATE OF ICHIRO KONO) PLANS TO LEAVE LATE THIS MONTH FOR TWO-WEEK TRIP TO USSR IN CONNECTION WITH CURRENT JAPAN-USSR FISHERIES NEGOTIATIONS. TAKASAKI REVEALED THAT BOTH KHRUSHCHEV AND MIKHYAN HAVE AGREED TO SEE HIM AND THAT IN SPITE OF RECENT SOVIET MOVES ON JAPAN-USSR TERRITORIAL DISPUTE HE STILL HOPES ENGAGE IN POLITICAL TALKS ON SOLUTION TO JAPANESE "SAFE FISHING" OFF SOVIET COAST. GOJ, WHICH MADE POSITION ABUNDANTLY CLEAR IN REPLY TO RECENT SOVIET NOTE (ITEM 3), WILL NOT EMPOWER TAKASAKI TO VANTER JAPANESE TERRITORIAL CLAIMS FOR FISHERIES SETTLEMENT BUT TAKASAKI MAY NEVERTHELESS TRAVEL IN FORMAL CAPACITY AS CHIEF JAPANESE DELEGATE TO FISHERIES NEGOTIATIONS. HE INTENDS ACCEPT INVITATION (RELAYED BY KENZO MATSUMURA) TO VISIT COMMUNIST CHINA IN SPRING BUT APPARENTLY WILL NOT INCLUDE STOPPING ON ITINERARY FOR USSR VISIT. (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

COMMENT: TAKASAKI'S ANNOUNCEMENT AFTER LONG HESITATION UNDOUBTEDLY PROMPTED BY KHRUSHCHEV'S DECISION TO FIND TIME FOR TALK WITH THIS LDP POLITICIAN WHO ADVOCATES MORE FRIENDLY RELATIONS. REPRODUCTION OF THIS DOCUMENT IN WHOLE OR IN PART IS PROHIBITED EXCEPT WITH PERMISSION OF THE ISSUING OFFICE.

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WITH SINO-SOVIET BLOC AND HAS SENT FOR COMPROMISE AND APPEASEMENT. POSITIONS OF BOTH GOJ AND USSR ON TERRITORIAL QUESTION WILL HAMPER TAKASAKI'S EFFORTS TO EXPLOIT THIS ISSUE BUT HE PRESUMABLY HOPES HIS MOSCOW AND PEIPING TRIPS WILL FURNISH HIM WITH AMMUNITION THAT MAY BE USEFUL IN PARTY FACTIONAL CONTROVERSIES. (CONFIDENTIAL)

5. NISHIO CRITICIZES SOVIET NOTE KITEM 3)

IN HOKKAIDO ON SECOND LAP OF NATION-WIDE SPEAKING TOUR (WEEKASTN ITEM 8), DEMOCRATIC SOCIALIST PARTY (DSP) CHAIRMAN SUEHIRO NISHIO TOLD PRESS CONFERENCE HE SUPPORTED GOJ'S PROTEST AGAINST SOVIET NOTE AND TOOK SOCIALIST PARTY TO TALK FOR ITS WEAK-KNEED POSITION IN FAVOR OF EARLY PEACE TREATY WITH USSR. DSP RALLY IN SAPPORO WAS REPORTEDLY ATTEND BY REPRESENTATIVES AGRICULTURE, FISHING, MEDIUM AND SMALL BUSINESS, BESIDES MEMBERS LABOR UNIONS (SOCIALIST PARTY MEETINGS IN PAST HAVE BEEN ATTENDED ALMOST EXCLUSIVELY BY UNIONISTS). (UNCLASSIFIED)

COMMENT: NISHIO'S OUTSPOKEN POSITION ON RELATIONS WITH SOVIET UNION, DESPITE WILLINGNESS FISHERY INTERESTS (PARTICULARLY STRONG IN HOKKAIDO) TO COMPROMIS ON TERRITORIAL QUESTIONS, REFLECTS

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STRONG NATIONALISTIC FEELINGS OF JAPANESE STIRRED UP BY CRUDE
INTERFERENCE OF SOVIST NOTE I KAPAN'S INTERNAL AFFAIRS. (OFFICIAL
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6. ELECTION LAW REVISION

LOCAL AWHONOMY AGENCY FEBRUARY 10 SUBMITTED TO LIBERALO
DEMOCRATIC PARTY (LDP) FOR APPROVAL PRIOR TO DIET PRESENTATION DRAFTS
MF TWO BILLS TO REVISE ELECTION PROCEDURES. FIRST WOULD ESTABLISH
ADVISORY COMMITTEE IN PRIMIN'S OFFICE TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS ON
REAPPORTIONMENT OF ELECTION DISHRICTS, NOW DETERMINED ON BASIS 1945
CSNSUS. SECOND WOULD TIGHTEN CERTAIN FEATURES PUBLIC ELECTION LAW,
MAKING IT MORE DIFFICULT FOR CANIDATES WHO ENGAGE IN PRACTICES
TO ESCAPE PRSECUTION REVISION WOULD ALSO LIBERALIYE REGULATIONS ON
ELECTION CAMPAIGN ACTIVITY. PROPOSAL WAS WIDELY CRITICIZED IN
PRESS FOR FAILURE TO INCLUFE PROVISION TO RESTRICH CANDIDACIES OF
HIGH-RANKING GOJ XUREAUCRATS. SOME LDP LEADERS REPORTEDLY INSISTED AT
FEBRUARY 10 MEETING THAT RESTRICTION AGAINST PUBLIC OFFICIALS'
CANDIDACIES BE RESTORED. (UNCLASSIFIED)

COMMENT: REAPPORTIONMENT DIST SEATS LONG OVERDUE XUH DELAYED

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BECAUSE MANY LDP DIET MEMBERS WISH TO REPLACE MULTIPLE SEAT
CONSTITUENCIES WITH SINGLE SEAT DISTRICTS AT THE SAME TIME AS REDISTRIBUTION
SO AS TO FORESTALL SOCIALIST GAINS. INASMUCH AS PRESENT PROPOSAL
AUTHORIZES REAPPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE MERELY TO MAKE RECOMMENDATION ON
SMALL CONSTITUENCY SYSTEM AND IN VIEW OF GREAT PERSONAL INTEREST OF
ALL DIETMEN IN ANY MEASURE AFFECTING ELECTIONS, RAPID ACTION ON DRAFT
BILLS IS DOUBTFUL. (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

7. AIRPORT RIOT LEADERS INDICATED KEEKA EN ITEM 8)
TOKYO PROSECUTORS LAST WEEK RELEASED 55 LEADERS OF
ZENKAKUREN (STUDENT ASSOCIATION UNDER LEFT-WING "TROTSKYITE"
CONTROL) WHO HAD BEEN IN CUSTODY SINCE THEIR ARREST FOLLOWING
JANUARY 16 HANEDA AIRPORT RIOT. TWENTY-TWO OTHER STUDENTS,
INCLUDING ZENKAKUREN CHAIRMAN KENTARO KAKOJIN INDICATED FOR THEIR
PART IN RIOT. SECURITY AGENCIES AND OTHER ELEMENTS JAPANESE
GOV. HAVE CONTINUED TO INVESTIGATE AND OTHERWISE TO RESTRICT
ZENKAKUREN'S RADICAL ACTIVITIES. IN ADDITION, JAPAN COMMUNIST
PARTY EFFORTS OF OUST TROTSKYITE STUDENT LEADERS HAVE ADDED TO
ZENKAKUREN'S TROUBLES, WHICH INCLUDE LACK OF FUNDS. CENTRAL

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF ZENGAKUREN HAS NEVERTHELESS UNABASHEDLY ANNOUNCED PLANS FOR MORE DEMONSTRATIONS AGAINST US-JAPAN SECURITY TREATY. (UNCLASSIFIED)

COMMENT: DESPIRE ZENGAKUREN'S XRAVADO, PUBLIC IRITICISM, GOVMH PRESSURE, AND LOSS OF STUDENT SUPPORT HAVE UNDOUBTEDLY WEAKENED ITS ABILITY TO STAGE MASS DEMONSTRATIONS. IT REMAINS POTENTIAL SOURCE OF MINOR DISTURBANCES ANF ISOLATED ACHS OF VIOLENCE.

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3. DELIBERATION RESUMED ON DIET DEMONSTRATION CONTROL BILL

(WEEKA TEN ITEM 1)

UPPER HOUSE STEERING COMMITTEE FEBRUARY 11 RESUMED DISCUSSION OF CONTROVERSIAL BILL WHICH WAS INTRODUCED FOLLOWING DIET RIOT NOVEMBER 27 TO CONTROL DEMONSTRATIONS IN VICINITY OF DIET. TIME DID NOT PSRMIT PASSAGE AT EXTRAORDINARY DIET, UPPER HOUSE VOTED TO CONTINUE DELIBERATION AT PRESENT SESSION. (UNCLASSIFISD)

COMMENT: EVEN IF UPPER HOUSE PASSES BILL, LOWER HOUSE, WHICH APPROVED IT ONCE, MUST DO SO AGAIN. DOUBTFUL WHETHER GOVT WILL TROUBLE TSELF FOR SHOWDOWN OVER MEASURE IF THERE IS ANY

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RISK OF COMPLICATING SECURITY TREATY RATIFICATION OR BUDGET.
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9. MSDF DESTROYER BUILD-UP

ON FEBRUARY 13 AKIZUKI (DD 161), 2350 TONS STANDARD DISPLACEMENT DESTROYER, BUILT UNDER OFFSHORE PROCUREMENT (FY 57 MAP) WILL BE DELIVERED BY MITSUBUSHI SHIPBUILDING, NAGASAKI AND PLACED IN COMMISSION BY THE MSDF AS NEW FLAGSHIP OF SELF DEFENSE FLEET. ON SAME DATE ISHIKAWAJIMA SHIPBUILDING, TOKYO, WILL LAUNCH ONAMI (DDK111), 1700 TONS STANDARD DISPLACEMENT DESTROYER. (UNCLASSIFIED)

COMMENT: THIS CONTINUED BUILD-UP OF MSDF ESCORT STRENGTH WILL CULMINATE IN FORMATION OF THIRD ESCORT SQUADRON DURING JFY 60. (CONFIDENTIAL)

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13. GSDF RAILWAY UNIT ACTIVATED

1. DIET (WEEK 6, ITEM 1)

DIET PROCEEDINGS DURING WEEK CENTERED ON APPEARANCES OF PRIMIN KISHI
FONMIN FUJIYAMA AND OTHER CABINET OFFICERS BEFORE
BUDGET COMMITTEES BOTH HOUSES, AND QUESTIONS PARTICULARLY ON
SECURITY TREATY.

DELIBERATIONS BY LOWER HOUSE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON SECURITY
TREATY, SCHEDULED TO BEGIN FEBRUARY 16 WITH PRESENTATION BY
FUJIYAMA, POSTPONED UNTIL FEBRUARY 1. OWING TO OBSTRUCTIONIST
TACTICS OF OPPOSITION PARTIES. UPPER HOUSE STEERING COMMITTEE
FEBRUARY 16 FORMALLY APPROVED ESTABLISHMENT OF 35-MAN
COMMITTEE ON TREATY SIMILAR TO LOWER HOUSE BODY.

LOWER HOUSE FEBRUARY 16 PASSED THIRD FY1959 SUPPLEMENTARY
BUDGET TO BE USED CHIEFLY FOR REHABILITATION NECESSITATED BY
TYPHOON DAMAGE LAST FALL; LDP AND JSP VOTED FOR BUDGET BUT DSP
VOTED AGAINST. (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

COMMENT: DEBATE OVER TREATY EXPECTED TO MOVE INTO HIGH GEAR
FOLLOWING FUJIYAMA'S PRSSENTATION FEBRUARY 19. DSP'S NEGATIVE
VOTE ON SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET, ON GROUNDS IT REFLECTED PARTISAN LDP

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INTERESTS WAS APPARENTLY DESIGNED TO ESTABLISH REPUTATION FOR
INDEPENDENT ACTION AS IN CASE OF "TYPHOON BUDGET" LAST FALL
(WEEKA 47, ITEM 1). (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

2. SOCIALIST PARTY LEADERSHIP (WEEKA 6, ITEM 3)

FIRST FOUR MEETINGS OF SOCIALIST PARTY (JSP) EXTRAORDINARY
CONVENTION PREPARATORY COMMITTEE DIRECT DIS-
CUSSION OF ISSUE OF PARTY LEADERSHIP BUT WADA FACTION HAS RE-
PORTEDLY DECIDED TO BACK JOTARO KAWAKAMI AS INTERIM CHAIR-
MAN WITH MEMBER OF SUZUKI FACTION AS SEC GEN SOHYO CHAIRMAN
KAORU OTA TOLD PRESS CONFERENCES FEBRUARY 12 AND 17 HE HAD NO
OBJECTION TO KAWAKAMI BEING NAMED CHAIRMAN IF THIS WOULD PRESERVE
JSP UNITY. HOWEVER, CHAIRMAN SUZUKI FEBRUARY 14 ACCUSED "CERTAIN
FACTION, LEADERS", I.E. KAWAKAMIITES, OF "SUBJECTIVISM" IN THEIR
LEADERSHIP PROPOSALS AND TWO DAYS LATER, IN SLAP AT OTA, SUYUKI
CRITICIZED SOHYO FOR INTERFERENCE IN POLITICAL AFFAIRS (UNCLASSIFIED)

COMMENT: IF RIGHT-WING KAWAKAMIITES ACCEPT SUPPORT OF SOHYO-
BACKED WADA FACTION IT WILL BE FURTHER DEMONSTRATION OF KAWAKAMI'S
OPPORTUNISM. GENERALLY UNDERSTOOD THAT IF SEC GEN ASANUMA STEPS
DOWN NOW, HE WILL BECOME CHAIRMAN AT NEXT REGULAR CONVENTION.

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EM JAPAN-ROK TALKS (WEEKA 5, ITEM 5)

BOTH KOREAN MISSION AND FONOFF CONFIRM SUBSTANTIAL AGREEMENT ON PLAN FOR REPATRIATION OF JAPANESE FISHERMEN AND OMURA DETAINEES ON MARCH ON RESUMPTION JAPAN-ROK TRADE, AND SUBSEQUENT JAPANESE PURCHASE OF 30,000 TONS KOREAN RICE. ROK AMBASSADOR YIU CLAIMS AGREEMENTS HAVE BACKING OF ROKG WHICH HE ASSERTS IS WILLING TO EFFECT DETAINEE EXCHANGE PRIOR TO AGREEMENT ON LEGAL STATUS OF RESIDENTS AND REPATRIATION PROGRAM TO ROK. FONOFF EXPECTS FAVORABLE GOJ DECISION WITHIN NEXT FEW DAYS, WITH ONLY REMAINING PROBLEM ON JAPANESE SIDE THAT OF OVERCOMING AGRICULTURE MINISTRY'S RELUCTANCE TO PURCHASE UNWANTED KOREAN RICE.

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COMMENT : ALTHOUGH GOJ SEEMS UNUSUALLY CONFIDENT, THERE MAY STILL BE SOME QUESTION WHETHER ROKG HAS IN FACT AUTHORIZED YIU TO CONCLUDE NEW PACKAGE PROPOSAL. (CONFIDENTIAL)

JAPANESE FISHING BOATS SEIZED

KOREAN COAST GUARD VESSEL SEIZED, RAMMED, AND SANK
JAPANESE FISHING BOAT AND CAPTURED SEAMAN CREW ON FEBRUARY 12.

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INCIDENT PROVOKED EXTREMELY ADVERSE JAPANESE REACTION. GOJ
ANNOUNCED FEBRUARY 17 THAT IT WOULD DISCONTINUE GENERAL PRACTICES OF
NOT ARMING JAPANESE PATROL VESSELS ASSIGNED TO RHEE LINE AREA,
BUT TEMPERED ANNOUNCEMENT WITH QUALIFICATION THAT PATROL VESSELS
WILL NOT CARRY LIVE AMMUNITION. FONOFF HAS REAFFIRMED BASIC
GOJ POLICY TO KEEP PATROL BOATS ON LEASH AND DO UTMOST TO AVOID
ARMED CONFLICT ARISING FROM FISHING BOAT SEIZURES. (CONFIDENTIAL)

COMMENT: FISHING BOAT SEIZURE, UNLESS PARTIALLY OFFSET BY
RELEASE OF FISHERMEN IN PUSAN (ITEM 3), SURE TO FAN FLAMES OF
GROWING DISCONTENT WITH GOJ'S PATIENT POLICY TOWARD ROK. DE-
CISION RE ARMAMENT OF JAPANESE PATROL BOATS MAY HAVE BEEN TAKEN
PRIOR TO LATEST SEIZURE BUT PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT PROBABLY PROVOKED
BY LATEST KOREAN ACTION. (CONFIDENTIAL)

5. JAPAN-SOVIET FISHERY TALKS (WEEK 5 ITEM)

MOSCOW FISHERY CONFERENCE IN NINE PLENARY SESSIONS
FINISHED PROCEDURAL MATTERS, DISCUSSION OF 1959 OPERATIONS AND
GENERAL ESTIMATES OF 1960 SALMON RUNS. SCIENTIFIC SUBCOMMITTEE
EXPECTED SPEND AT LEAST ONE MONTH DEBATING CONDITION OF SALMON,
HERRING, AND KING CRAB STOCKS. MOST IMPORTANT DEVELOPMENTS SO

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FAR ARE INCLUSION ON AGENDA OF DISCUSSION BOUNDARIES OF
SALMON FISHERY CONTROL AREA ALONG WITH SALMON CATCH QUOTA, AND
SOVIET STATEMENT THAT CONDUCTION OF PINK SALMON STOCKS WOULD JUSTIFY
COMPLETE CLOSURE FISHING IN _____

_____ BULK OF JAPANESE CATCH. THIS THREAT LATER AMENDED TO INCLUDE
ALTERNATIVE OF LARGER "CORRIDORS" FOR ESCAPE OF SALMON TO COAST.
MEANWHILE IT WAS ANNOUNCED FEBRUARY 12 THAT TATSUNOSUKE HAKASAKI,
PRESIDENT JAPAN FISHERIES SOCIETY, WOULD ASSUME LEADERSHIP
JAPANESE DELEGATION AROUND END OF MARCH AND TALK WITH KHRUSHCHEV
AND MIKOYAN ON FISHERY PROBLEMS. (UNCLASIFIED)

COMMENT: BOTH SIDES TOOK USUAL TOUGH STANDS AT OUTSET
OF CONFERENCE. SOVIETS EXPECTED TO OFFER EXTREMELY LOW SALMON
QUOTA, THEN TRADE FISH FOR SOUTHWARD EXTENSION OF SALMON FISHERY
CONTROL AREA AND ENLARGEMENT OF CLOSED AREA ESTABLISHED LAST YEAR
EAST OF KURILES. TAKASAKI'S APPOINTMENT SEEN AS SOP TO FISHING
INDUSTRY, IN WHICH HE CARRIES CONSIDERABLE POLITICAL WEIGHT.

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6. RAILROAD WORKERS AVERT SPLIT (WEEK 4, ITEM 8)

INTENSE CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEETING FEBRUARY 11-14,

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KOKURO (NATIONAL RAILWAY WORKERS UNION SOHYO) PATCHED UP
COMPROMISE POLICY STATEMENTS WHICH FOR TIME BEING FORESTALLED
THREATENED SECESSION BY 50,000-MEMBER MINORITY RIGHT-WING GROUP.
CONCESSIONS TO DISSIDENT MINORITY INCLUDED: AGREEMENT KOKURO
WOULD STUDY QUESTION OF ICFTU AFFILIATION; STATEMENT OPPOSING
EXTREMIST (I.E. COMMUNIST) INFLUENCES IN ANTI-SECURITY TREATY
COUNCIL; AND STATEMENT EMPHASIZING ECONOMIC OVER POLITICAL
OBJECTIVES. MAINSTREAM LEADERS HELD FIRM AGAINST RIGHT-WINGERS'
DEMAND FOR WITHDRAWAL FROM SOHYO AND AVOIDED DIRECT DECLARATION
OF SUPPORT FOR DSP. (UNCLASSIFIED)

COMMENT: COMPROMISE SETTLEMENT DOES NOT REMOVE THREAT OF
SPLITS OR SOLVE POLICY PROBLEMS CONFRONTING MAINSTREAM LEADERS.
SOME SPLINTER GROUPS MAY SECEDE IN _____ DIS BELIEVED
THAT ALL OF RIGHT-WING FACTION WILL LEAVE KOKURO EVENTUALLY.
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7. NIKKYOSO ADOPTS MODERATE POLICY STATEMENT

NIKKYOSO (TEACHERS UNION) CENTRAL COMMITTEE FEBRUARY 13-14
ADOPTED MODERATE POLICIES SET FORTH LAST MONTH BY CHAPTER OFFICIALS
CONCERNING RESISTANCE TO CURRICULA REVISION AND EFFICIENCY RATING

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SYSTEM (WEEKA 3, ITEM 7). RE NIKKYOSO'S PROPOSAL FOR NEGOTIATION ON EFFICIENCY RATING SYSTEM, EDUCATION MINISTER TOLD FEBRUARY 16 PRESS CONFERENCE HE WAS WILLING TO TALK WITH UNION BUT WOULD FIRST OBSERVE UNION'S CONDUCT IN NEXT "UNITED ACTION" MARCH 10.

(UNCLASSIFIED)

COMMENT: UNION'S PROFESSED MODERATION OF POLICY PROBABLY REFLECTS LEADERSHIP DECISION TO MAKE BEST OUT OF BAD SITUATION TO SAVE UNION FROM BOTH EXTERNAL AND INTERNAL PRESSURES SUCH AS STRINGENT GOVERNMENTAL MEASURES, LOSS OF MEMBERSHIP, AND DEPLETION OF RESERVE FUNDS. NIKKYOSO'S DISPLAY OF WEAKNESS SHOULD FACILITATE GOVERNMENT STEPS TO CLEANSE CLASSROOMS OF LEFTIST INFLUENCES.

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8. ELECTION LAW REVISION (WEEKA 6, ITEM 6)

LIBERAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY (LDP) LEADERS FEBRUARY 12 DECIDED NOT TO PRESENT AT CURRENT DIET SESSION BILL TO ESTABLISH COMMITTEE TO STUDY REAPPORTIONMENT OF DIET SEATS. LDP OFFICIAL DECLARED SEPARATE BILL TO REVISE EXISTING ELECTION LAW MAY BE SUBMITTED TO DIET AFTER REDRAFTING BY PARTY BUT DOUBTED ACTION WOULD BE TAKEN THIS SESSION. (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

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COMMENT: LDP MAY INVITE PUBLIC CRITICISM BY FAILURE TO
APPROVE RELATIVELY MILD MEASURES PROPOSED BY LOCAL AUTONOMY
AGENCY BUT WISHES TO AVOID PARTISAN DEBATE THAT INVARIABLY OCCURS
OVER ELECTION LAW REVISION LEST IT DELAY CONSIDERATION OF SECURITY
TREATY. (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)
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9. KHRUSHCHEV VISIT

KHRUSHCHEV'S VISIT TO INDIA AND BURMA HAS RECEIVED
MODERATE AND NOTICEABLY DETACHED COVERAGE IN JAPANESE PRESS.
COMMENTATORS NOTED KHRUSHCHEV'S LACK OF BUOYANCY AND RELATIVELY
PASSIVE WELCOME IN INDIA COMPARED TO THAT ACCORDED PRESIDENT
EISENHOWER. MAIN INTEREST HAS BEEN TRIP'S RELATION TO SINO-
INDIAN TENSION. ALTHOUGH COMMENTATORS DO NOT RULE OUT POSSIBILITY
KHRUSHCHEV MAY HAVE HAD SOME SUCCESS IN LOWERING TEMPERATURE OF
SINO-INDIAN DISPUTE, THEY SEEM AGREED THAT INDIA AND COMMUNIST
CHINA ARE NOT PREPARED FOR SUDDEN DISPLAY OF HARMONY
(UNCLASSIFIED)

COMMENT: KHRUSHCHEV VISIT HAS NOT SO FAR ENCOURAGED THOSE JAPANESE
WHO HOPE CHICOMS WILL SOFTEN EXTERNAL POLICIES AND BELIEVE KHRUSHCHEV

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IS LABORING TOWARD THIS END. (CONFIDENTIAL)

10. REACTION TO US LIMITED TEST BAN PROPOSAL

PRESIDENT'S FEBRUARY 11 ANNOUNCEMENT OF US PROPOSAL FOR LIMITED NUCLEAR TEST BAN RECEIVED PROMINENT PLAY IN JAPANESE PRESS, OVERSHADOWING SUBSEQUENT SOVIET REJECTION AND COUNTER-PROPOSAL. COMMENTARIES SUPPORTED US PROPOSAL AS REASONABLE ATTEMPT TO BREAK GENVA DEADLOCK BUT SOME EXPRESSED DISAPPOINTMENT THAT TOTAL BAN NOT IMMEDIATELY OBTAINABLE. (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

COMMENT: JAPANESE CAN IN GENERAL BE COUNTED ON TO WELCOME ANY PROGRESS IN FIELD OF NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT, WHILE CONTINUING TO PRESS FOR TOTAL BAN ON WEAPONS AND TESTS. (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

11. REACTION TO FRENCH A-BOMB

JAPANESE EDITORIAL REACTION TO WIDELY PUBLICIZED FRENCH A-BOMB TEST FEBRUARY 13 UNIFORMLY UNFAVORABLE. GOJ PROMPTLY FILED PROTEST WITH FRENCH GOVERNMENT AND PRIMIN KISHI TOLD PRESS THAT "JAPAN HAS AND WILL ALWAYS BE OPPOSED TO ANY KIND OF NUCLEAR TEST".

POLITICAL COMMENTETORS EXPRESSED VIEW THAT FRENCH POSSESSION OF A-BOMB CREATES ADDITIONAL OBSTACLES TO AGREEMENT ON INTERNATIONAL NUCLEAR TEST BAN (ITEM 10) AND FEARED IT WOULD COMPLICATE GENEVA

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TALKS. PRESS ALSO FELT THAT FRENCH SUCCESS MIGHT SPUR OTHER NATIONS,
NOTABLY COMMUNIST CHINA, IN EFFORTS TO JOIN "NUCLEAR CLUB".

(UNCLASSIFIED)

COMMENT: JAPANESE DISTURBED BY FRENCH TEST, BUT REACTED
LESS NERVOUSLY THAN AGAINST EARLIER US, UK AND SOVIET TESTS.
MOST STRIKING WAS REPEATED EXPRESSION OF CONCERN OVER PROSPECT
THAT COMMUNIST CHINA MIGHT SOON IMITATE FRENCH. (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)
NAVY

12. REORGANIZATION OF SELF DEFENSE FLEET

DURING FY 1960, SELF DEFENSE FLEET WILL BE
REORGANIZED INTO A FLEET ESCORT FORCE COMPOSED OF 1ST, 2ND AND
3RD ESCORT FLOTILLAS; A FLEET AIR ARM CONSISTING OF 1ST (KANOKA),
2ND (HACHINOE) AND 3RD (TOKUSHIMA) AIRCRAFT SQUADRONS;
1ST (YOKOSUKA), 2ND (KURE) AND 3RD (SASEBO) UNDERWAY TRAINING
UNITS; AND SUBMARINE UNITS. 3RD ESCORT FLOTILLA IS NEWLY
CONSTITUTED UNIT. AIRCRAFT SQUADRONS ARE REORGANIZED UNITS.

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COMMENT: REORGANIZATION HAS NOT YET BEEN IMPLEMENTED PENDING
ANNUAL REVISION OF SELF DEFENSE FORCES LAW. REORGANIZATION OF

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JMSDF AIR ARM HAS EFFECT OF SHIFTING OPERATIONAL PATROL SQUADRONS FROM OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF REGIONAL DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS TO COMMANDER SELF DEFENSE FLEET. (UNCLASSIFIED)
ARMY

13. GSDF RAILWAY UNIT ACTIVATED

101ST CONSTRUCTION BATTALION WAS ACTIVATED ON FEB 17 AT TRANSPORTATION SCHOOL, CAMP TACHIKAWA, TOKYO. UNIT WILL HAVE STRENGTH OF 120 MEN, AND INITIALLY USE AS TRAINING EQUIPMENT, ONE LOCOMOTIVE AND SEVERAL OTHER ITEMS OF ROLLING STOCK AND EQUIPMENT PURCHASED FROM JAPANESE NATIONAL RAILWAYS. SOCIALISTS AND SOHYO HAVE QUESTIONED NEED TO REVIVE MILITARY RAILWAY UNIT, CLAIMING THAT IT REPRESENTS STEP TOWARD FUTURE OVERSEAS DEPLOYMENT OF JAPANESE TROOPS AND THAT UNIT MIGHT BE USED TO KEEP TRAINS RUNNING DURING A STRIKE. (UNCLASSIFIED)

COMMENT: WHILE CALLED CONSTRUCTION BN, THIS IS FIRST POSTWAR RAILWAY UNIT IN GSDF. UNIT WILL PROBABLY BE MOVED DURING MARCH TO TSUDANAUMA, CHIBA PREFECTURE, SITE OF FORMER IMPERIAL ARMY'S RAILWAY UNIT. BELIEVED GSDF PLANS TO ACTIVATE STILL ANOTHER RR UNIT DURING JFY 60. (UNCLASSIFIED)

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1. IMPERIAL PRINCE BORN

NATION JUBILANTLY GREETED BIRTH FEBRUARY ONE OF SON
TO CROWN PRINCE AND PRINCESS. NEW PRINCE IS SECOND IN LINE TO
THRONE. PUBLIC MEDIA GAVE EVENT FULLEST COVERAGE AND
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FEATURED MESSAGES FROM VICE PRESIDENT NIXON, ACTING SECRETARY DILLON, AND ASSISTANT SECRETARY PARSONS, AMONG FELICITATIONS FROM ABROAD. NEWSPAPER COMMENT PRAISED ROYAL COUPLE'S PLAN TO RAISE CHILD AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE BY THEMSELES WITHOUT ADHERING TO TRADITIONAL COURT FORMALITY. (UNCLASSIFIED)

COMMENT: PUBLIC'S RESPONSE TO EVENT WAS NEW PROOF THAT IMPERIAL CONSTITUTION STILL OCCUPIES CHERISHED PLACE IN HEARTS OF JAPANESE. (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

2. DIET (WEEK 7, ITEM 1)

FONMIN FUJIYAMA MADE INTRODUCTORY STATEMENT ON TREATY BEFORE LOWER HOUSE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON SECURITY TREATY FEBRUARY 19, BUT COMMITTEE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST TO STOP WHEN SOCIALISTS (JSP) POSED QUESTION OF DIET'S RIGHT TO REVISE TREATY ONCE SIGNED. DEMOCRATIC SOCIALIST (DSP) AND JSP DECLARED THEY WOULD PARTICIPATE IN NO FURTHER DISCUSSION OF SECURITY TREATY PENDING SETTLEMENT OF THIS ISSUE.

PRIMIN KISHI AND OTHER GOJ SPOKESMEN STATED THAT DIET'S ROLE ON TREATIES IS CONFINED TO ACCEPTANCE OR REJECTION, BUT JSP AND DSP DISAGREED. COMPLICATING ISSUE, ICHURO KONO AND CERTAIN OTHER

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ANTI-KISHI ELEMENTS WITHIN LIBERAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY (LDP) MAINTAINED THAT DIET HAS THEORETICAL RIGHT OF AMENDMENT ALTHOUGH THEY DID NOT ADVOCATE EXERCISE OF RIGHT IN CASE OF SECURITY TREATY.

EXPERTS CHOSEN BY THREE MAJOR PARTIES TO TESTIFY ON DIET'S TREATY POWER BEFORE SPECIAL COMMITTEE FEBRUARY 23 REFLECTED VIEWS OF THEIR RESPECTIVE SPONSORS. FOLLOWING SERIES OF INTRA-PARTY CONFERENCES FEBRUARY 23-25, LDP EXECUTIVE BOARD FEBRUARY 25 ADOPTED "UNIFIED POSITION" THAT DIET HAS NO RIGHT TO MODIFY TREATY. LDP AND OPPOSITION PARTIES ARE REPORTED TO HAVE REACHED AGREEMENT EVENING OF FEBRUARY 25 TO HOLD PARALLEL DISCUSSIONS ON TREATY IN SPECIAL COMMITTEE AND ON QUESTION OF DIET'S RIGHT TO REVISE TREATIES IN ^ESTEERING COMMITTEE, BUT SCHEDULE FOR RESUMPTION OF COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION OF TREATY NOT YET FIRM. (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

COMMENT: JSP'S QUESTION RE DIET'S COMPETENCE TO AMEND TREATIES IS OBVIOUSLY AIMED AT FURTHER DELAYING DIET DEBATE ON SECURITY TREATY. ISSUE PRESENTED OPPORTUNITY TO KONO TO OBTAIN SOME PUBLICITY IN CONTINUED EFFORTS TO GAIN CONCESSIONS FROM KISHI IN EXCHANGE FOR SUPPORT ON TREATY. (CONFIDENTIAL)

13. NEW SOVIET NOTE RE SECURITY TREATY (WEEK 6, ITEM 2)

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SOVIET DEPUTY FOMIN PUSHKIN FEBRUARY 24 HANDED JAPANESE
AMBASSADOR NEW NOTE ATTACKING US-JAPAN SECURITY TREATY AND RE-
BUTTING GOJ'S MEMORANDUM OF FEBRUARY 5. NOTE REPEATS CHARGE THAT
TREATY IS AGGRESSIVE, ATTACKS GOJ DEFINITION OF FAR EAST AREA,
ALLEGES JAPAN WILL ACQUIRE NUCLEAR WEAPONS, AND CLAIMS JAPAN, NOT
USSR, HAS VIOLATED JOINT JAPAN-USSR DECLARATION OF 1956. FOMIN
ISSUED BRIEF BUT FIRM PUBLIC STATEMENT FEBRUARY 25 REPUDIATING
SOVIET CHARGES AND ACCUSING USSR OF EVADING RESPONSIBILITY FOR
VIOLATING INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT ON RETURN OF HABOMAI AND SHIKOTAN
ISLANDS. LDP AND DSP SPOKESMAN CRITICIZED NOTE IN SHARP TERMS BUT JSP
AGAIN CHARGED GOJ WITH NEEDLESSLY PROVOKING USSR AND COMMUNIST
CHINA. INITIAL EDITORIAL REACTION ATTACKS SOVIET NOTE.
(OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

COMMENT: NOTE APPEARS TO CONTAIN NO NEW POINTS, WITH EX-
CEPTION OF TERM "REVANCHE", HITHERTO GENERALLY RESERVED FOR IN-
VECHIVE AGAINST GERMAN FEDREP. AS IN CASE OF JANUARY 27 MESSAGE
NEW NOTE APPEARS TO BE HAVING BOOMERANG EFFECT WHICH ~~WILL~~ NOT ASSIST
OPPONENTS OF SECURITY TREATY. (CONFIDENTIAL)

4. SOCIALIST PARTY LEADERSHIP (WEEK 7, ITEM 2)

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AT FEBRUARY 21 MEETING OF SOCIALIST PARTYS(JSP) EXTRA-
ORDINARY CONVENTION PREPARATORY COMMITTEE, KAWAKAMI FACHION,
SUPPORTED BY REPRESENTATIVES WADAFACHION, FORMALLY PROPOSED
THAT KAWAKAMI BE NAMED PARTY CHAIRMAN AT MARCH CONVENTION. FOUR
DAYS LATER SUZUKI FACTION FOR FIRST TIME OPENLY ADVOCATED THAT
CHAIRMAN SUZUKI AND SECGEN ASANUMA REMAIN IN POSTS. KAWAKAMIITES
ARE PRESSING FOR QUICK DECISION BY COMMITTEE ON THE LEADERSHIP QUESTION
BUT SUZUKI FACHION FAVORS SETTLEMENT OF ISSUE THROUGH OPEN BALLOT
AT CONVENTION IN HOPE OF RALLYING LOCAL DELEGATES TO BACK ITS
STAND. FEBRUARY 25 COMMITTEE SESSION DECIDED TO APPOINT FIVE-MAN
SUBCOMMITTEE TO HANDLE LEADERSHIP PROBLEM. (UNCLASSIFIED)

COMMENT: NO MATTER HOW LEADERSHIP QUESTION IS RESOLVED, BAD
FEELINGS IS CERTAIN TO PERSIST AMONG FACTIONAL LEADERS. UNLESS
KAWAKAMI IS NAMED CHAIRMAN, SOME IF NOT ALL MEMBERS OF HIS FACTION
ARE EXPECTED TO LEAVE PARTY; IF HE IS ELECTED, HIGHLY DOUBTFUL
THAT MEMBERS OF SUZUKI FACTION WILL ACCORD HIM FULL SUPPORT. (CONF)

5. JAPAN-ROK TALKS (WEEKA 7, ITEM 5)

JAPAN-ROK NEGOTIATIONS FOR DETAINEE RELEASE, JAPANESE
PURCHASE OF KOREAN RICE, AND FULL RESUMPTION OF TRADE JEOPARDIZED

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BY INABILITY OF ROK AMBASSADOR YIU TO BACK UP EARLIER ASSURANCES TO JAPANESE THAT HIS GOVERNMENT HAD AUTHORIZED HIM TO PROMISE RELEASE OF DETAINEES AND REPATRIATION OF OTHER FISHERMEN IMMEDIATELY AFTER SERVING OUT PRISON SENTENCES. GOJ HAS SERVED NOTICE THAT UNLESS NEGOTIATIONS COMPLETED WITHIN FEW DAYS IT WILL REAPPRAISE PRESENT POLICY. AMBASSADOR YIU PLANS RETURN TO SEOUL FEBRUARY 27 FOR CONSULTATIONS. (CONFIDENTIAL)

COMMENT: NEITHER YIU NOR FONOFF DISPLAY EARLIER OPTIMISM ABOUT TALKS. IF FAILURE MARKS THIS THIRD ATTEMPT IN THREE MONTHS TO BRING ABOUT RELEASE OF FISHERMEN, LETDOWN IN JAPAN AND ATTENDANT REACTIONS MAY PRECLUDE FURTHER NEGOTIATIONS ALONG THE WINEY COMPLAINING GOJ TO RESEORT TO OTHER MEASURES. (CONFIDENTIAL)

6. TWELFTH ANTI-SECURITY TREATY JOINS STRUGGLE (WEEK 1, ITEM 7)

SOHYO, COORDINATING ITS ACTIVITY TO COINCIDE WITH TWELFTH "JOINT STRUGGLE DAY" AGAINST SECURITY TREATY, PLANNED TO HAVE 30-50 PERCENT OF GOVERNMENT WORKERS ABSENT THEMSELVES FEBRUARY 25 FOR RALLIES DEMANDING HIGHER WAGES AND ABROGATING SECURITY TREATY. ACCORDING TO PRESS 1,500,000 TOOK PART, BUT GOVERNMENT OFFICES REPORTED LITTLE OR NO INTERFERENCE WITH NORMAL OPERATIONS (AS MOST WORKERS LIMITED

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THEMSELVES TO WORKSHOP RALLIES BEFORE AND AFTER OFFICE HOURS.
POLICE ESTIMATED THAT 170,000 THROUGHOUT COUNTRY
PARTICIPATED IN SEPARATE RALLIES STAGED BY PEOPLE'S COUNCIL
AGAINST REVISION OF SECURITY TREATY WHO STRESSED DEMAND FOR
"PEACE BUDGET". THREE POLICE INJURED IN TOKYO IN BRIEF CLASH WITH
ZIG ZAGGING DEMONSTRATORS. ABOUT 220 DIE-HARD OF
ZENGAKURENS (MILITANT EXTREME-LEFT STUDENTS' ORGANIZATION) TRIED
TO FORCE ENTRY INTO DIET TO EXPRESS SUPPORT FOR SOCIALIST PARTY
OPPONENTS OF TREATY BUT WERE TURNED BACK BY POLICE WITHOUT
DIFFICULTY. (CONFIDENTIAL)

COMMENT: IF PARTICIPANTS IN SHOP RALLIES ARE INCLUDED, THIS
WAS LARGEST DEMONSTRATION BY GOVERNMENT WORKERS IN RECENT YEARS,
BUT RESULT SEEMS ATTRIBUTABLE MORE TO SOHYO'S NEW EMPHASIS ON WAGE
DEMANDS THAN TO INCREASED INTEREST IN TREATY ISSUE. (CONFIDENTIAL)
PSYCHOLOGICAL

7. PRESIDENT'S LATIN AMERICAN TRIP

PRESIDENT'S TOUR RECEIVING EXTENSIVE COVERAGE IN ALL
MEDIA WHICH FEATURED WARMTH OF WELCOME IN BRAZIL. SEVERAL
COMMENTARIES EXPRESS VIEW THAT PRESIDENT'S PURPOSE IS TO RESTORE

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WEAKENED RELATIONS WITH SOUTH AMERICAN COUNTRIES AND TO MEET SOVIET OFFENSIVE IN THAT AREA. INTERPRETIVE ARTICLES FROM JAPANESE CORRESPONDENTS IN WASHINGTON PREDICT THAT ALTHOUGH PRESIDENT'S TRIP IS IN NATURE OF GOOD WILL VISIT CONCRETE QUESTIONS CONCERNING ECONOMIC COOPERATION AND POLICY TOWARD CUBA LIKELY TO COME UP DURING PRESIDENT'S TALKS WITH LEADERS OF SOUTH AMERICAN COUNTRIES. (UNCLASSIFIED)

COMMENT: SINCE JAPANESE INTEREST IN SOUTH AMERICA LACKS PSYCHOLOGICAL AND POLITICAL OVERTONES OF THEIR INTEREST IN AREA REGARDED AS CLOSER TO HOME, IMPACT IN JAPAN OF PRESENT TOUR LESS PRO- NOUNCED THAN THAT OF PRESIDENT'S EARLIER TOUR. IT IS FOLLOWED MORE AS NEWS THAN AS SPECIAL "MESSAGE TO ASIA" AND " RECOGNITION OF ASIA REPRESENTED BY INDIAN VISIT." (OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

NAVY

8. NEW SHIPS FOR MSDF SURFACE FORCES

FEBRUARY 27, MIZUTORI (PC 311), 450 TONS STANDARD DIS- PLACEMENT PATROL CRAFT, WILL BE DELIVERED AT KAWASAKI DOCK, KOBE. ON FEBRUARY 29, TERUZUKI (DD 162), 2350 TONS STANDARD DISPLACEMENT DESTROYER, BUILT UNDER OFF-SHORE PROCUREMENT (FY 57 MAQ), WILL BE

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DELIVERED BY SHIN MITSUBISHI, KOBE, AND WILL BECOME FLAGSHIP OF
1ST ESCORT SQUADRON, SELF DEFENSE FLEET. (UNCLASSIFIED)

COMMENT: MIZUTORU WILL BE PART OF NEW PATROL DIVISION TO BE
PERMANENTLY ASSIGNED MAIZURU REGIONAL DISTRICH. THIS NEW DIVISION
WAS FORMED AS RESULT OF INCREASE IN NEW ASW VESSELS RECEIVED
BY MSDF DURING PAST SEVERAL MONTHS. IT WILL MARKEDLY STRENGTHEN MSDF'S
WEAK KBASZAL ESCORT AND ASW CAPABILITY IN JAPAN SEA. (CONFIDENTIAL)

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